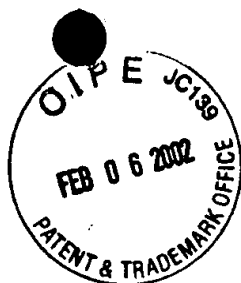


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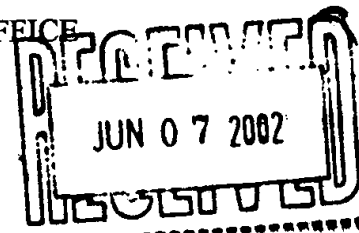
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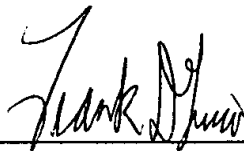
Sir:

Submitted herewith is a Supplemental Combined Declaration And Power Of Attorney For Patent Application executed by the inventors, for the above-identified patent application. The Supplemental Combined Declaration claims the benefit of priority under U.S.C. § 119(e) based on Provisional Application No. 60/213,171, filed on June 22, 2000, and is being filed because it was noticed that the Combined Declaration And Power Of Attorney For Patent Application filed on October 16, 2001 did not claim such priority. Accordingly, entry of the Supplemental Combined Declaration into the record of this application is respectfully requested.

It is believed that no fee is due in connection with this Submission, since a proper response to the Notice To File Missing Parts dated August 29, 2001 was timely filed in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office in this application on October 16, 2001.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our New York office by telephone at (212) 218-2100. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our below listed address.

Respectfully submitted,



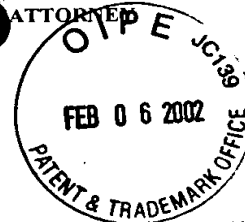
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I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled SHARED OPTICAL RING PROTECTION IN A MULTI-FIBER RING

the specification of which ☐ is attached hereto ☒ was filed on June 22, 2001, as United States Application No. or PCT International Application No. 09/886,153
and was amended on _____ (if applicable).

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in 37 CFR §1.56.

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